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Moore Wins First Place For 7th Time At Lake Shoot-Out

Vandalia resident Ron Moore has won seven times at the Lake of the Ozarks Shootout held Saturday, Aug. 26 and Sunday, Aug. 27.

Moore in his 1984 Formula 242 with a 468 engine Chevy big block with a 671 blower. The boat has a Mercury XR drive and Bravo 25 with a pitch propeller.

The Lake of the Ozarks Shootout is the largest unsanctioned boat race in the United States, named one of the nation's eight "must-see" boating events according to Powerboat Magazine, the Shootout takes place for the 10th year at Captain Ron's Bar & Grill in Sunrise Beach (Lake Road 5-50, mile marker 34.5).

The event raises funds for

eight Lake-area rescue teams and numerous other charitable organizations.

Moore has been racing at the LOTO Shootout, Captain Ron's, Sunrise Beach for six years.

Ron began racing in 2015. He won his class the first time out and was hooked.

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In 2008, the Shootout moved to Captain Ron's Bar & Grill in Sunrise Beach on the 34.5 mile marker.



The Bobcats team joins Pike County Commissioners Bill Allen and Tom Wallace in celebration after receiving the Commissioner's Cup.

Bobcats Take Down Bulldogs To Win Commissioner's Cup

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

The Bowling Green Bobcats hold on to the Commissioner's Trophy for yet another year with a 54-18 win over the Louisiana Bulldogs.

The game marked the return of high school football for the 2023 season and brought out a big crowd despite the intense heat. Last week's high temps pushed the kickoff time back to 8 p.m., to offer some relief to the athletes.

Winning the coin toss, the Bulldogs opted to receive and despite a 15-yard return by D'Marko Green. But Louisiana couldn't build on that initial momentum and was pushed back by the larger Bobcat's defense.

The Bobcats forced Louisiana to punt to their own 38-yard line. From there, Blyne Bryant went to work. He ran a 20-yard run making Bowling Green's first touchdown of the night on the boards with 6:31 left in the first quarter followed up with a two-point conversion.

Not to be written off too

early, Green weaved through the Bobcat's kickoff defense for a huge touchdown return. The Bulldogs couldn't tie the game and failed to gain the extra two points.

The Louisiana defense managed to slow down the Bobcats but couldn't Bryant from running in another with the two-point conversion in the last two minutes of the quarter.

A fumbled ball at the 33-yard line recovered by the Bobcats in the final minute of the quarter spelled more trouble for Louisiana. Bowling Green Quarterback, Jace Eskew, capitalized on carrying the ball in for six more points along with the extra two to finish the quarter 24-6.

The second quarter proved frustrating and scoreless for the Bulldogs who couldn't break past Bowling Green's defense. The Louisiana defense once again slowed down but could not stop the Bobcats offensive machine which resulted in junior, Easton Orf, and Bryant adding 18 more points to the scoreboard.

Louisiana quarterback, Ethen Harrison made some impressive carries to help gain some yardage on a running clock in the third. His efforts set up Brady Sheppard to rocket down the middle for the Bulldogs second touchdown. The two-point attempt was knocked down by Bobcat defenders before it could connect with Cooper Lumley.

Bowling Green added up an impressive 30-points in the quarter to end the third with a score of 54-12.

The Bobcats offensive eased up in the fourth with Louisiana's defense forcing a turnover on downs which set up another big touchdown run for Green.

Bowling Green dominated the night, but the Bulldogs made an impressive showing when compared to last year's 68-6 loss.

The Bobcats will look to add another win this week as they hit the road again to take on Palmyra (0-1).

Louisiana will hope to bounce back as they host Crystal City (1-0) with kickoff at 7 p.m.



Ron Moore gives a wave to the crowd following his first-place finish at the Lake of the Ozarks Shoot-Out Boat Race on Sunday, Aug. 27.



Ron Moore is pictured with granddaughter Presley Moran receiving his first-place trophy at the Lake of the Ozarks Shoot-Out on Sunday, Aug. 27.



Ron Moore is pictured signing posters, t-shirts and other memorabilia at the annual Lake of the Ozarks Shoot-Out Boat Race on Sunday, Aug. 27.

The Battle Of Ashley

Skirmish Brought Civil War To Pike County

BY BRENT ENGEL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The following is the first part of a story series by contributing writer Brent Engel

They were outnumbered more than four to one.

And yet, a tiny band of Union militia and local residents held off a swarm of Confederates led by two of Northeast Missouri's most successful rebel guerrillas.

The Battle of Ashley on Aug. 28, 1862, brought the Civil War to Pike County. All

of the boasting, drilling and marching of the previous year was over. Bullets were now flying through the air.

The losses were minimal compared with the staggering number of deaths in clashes elsewhere, but author Bruce Nichols nonetheless labeled it "a savage battle."

One Southern sympathizer would call the attack a "disaster." Union supporters hailed it as a triumph.

"The dividing line between treason and loyalty, between traitors and true men, has been traced at length upon our own soil in characters of blood," the Louisiana Journal said.

Susceptible to attack Summer 1862 had been violent across Missouri, but Pike County had been spared for the most part.

The closest skirmishes had come at Florida on July 22, Santa Fe on July 24 and Moore's Mill on July 28. The Union had an arsenal at Ashley under the command of 37-year-old Capt. William H. Purse, a New York native who lived in Louisiana.

Ashley trailed only Bowling Green and Louisiana when it came to the number of Pike County men serving, but many from Purse's contingent had been sent to fight at other locations.

Confederate commanders Joseph Chrisman Porter and Clinton Dewitt Burbridge knew the weapons cache was vulnerable. They also were in huge need of a victory.

Just three weeks earlier, Porter had failed to take Kirksville and was forced to withdraw. The 53-year-old Kentucky native knew the area well, having gone to college in Marion County and living in Knox County.

The 28-year-old Burbridge, who lost his father at age four, was from Louisiana and the

younger brother of banker-turned-rebel John Quincy Burbridge.

Most of the federal troops at Ashley had been recruited by Thomas James Clark Fagg of Louisiana. The Virginia-born judge was a former Missouri state lawmaker who was described by one legal publication as an "out-and-out Union man" and slavery opponent.

"They were men of great respectability and enthusiastically attached to the Union cause," Fagg said of the recruits.

Here come the rebs

Purse's men also were resolute. Not long after daybreak on Aug. 28, sentinels alerted the captain that trouble was approaching.

"There was but a moment's time for preparation, as right upon the heels of the notice came the rebels," the Journal reported.

Up to 30 militia were joined by a few local residents. They quickly assembled to combat the estimated 125 to 150 attackers. The men took cover in four buildings, including businesses run by J.C. Elmore and Southern-born John McCormick.

"In this condition of affairs, the whole band of rebels came rushing in through the main street from the north, yelling like so many savages," the Journal said.

The shouting abruptly stopped when the Union men returned fire. The raiders "discovered their progress had to be made with caution" and ducked behind houses, out-buildings, fences, privies and any other cover they could find.

"Ball and buckshot flew like leaden hail in every direction," the Journal told readers.

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Standing Firmly

Louisiana Priest Defies Effort To Regulate Speech

BY BRENT ENGEL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Editor's note: Following is the first part in a story series by contributing writer Brent Engel.

He was an unlikely hero for constitutional rights that still spark legal arguments almost 160 years later.

Father John Cummings of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Louisiana took on a government edict and won. The victory reinforced two unequivocal American freedoms.

At issue was the loyalty oath Missouri enacted at the end of the Civil War in 1865. It required people with political or professional jobs to swear they'd never supported the Confederacy. Violators were fined, stripped of voting rights and faced up to six months in jail.

However, since the 194-word affirmation featured 86 potential offenses, even oath takers who had backed the Union found it almost impossible to avoid perjury.

Nonetheless, supporters claimed the pledge was simply an effort to set work or office

qualifications. Opponents called it a blatantly unconstitutional attempt to usurp freedom of speech and religion. Like it or loathe it, the vow certainly was extraordinary.

"The oath thus required is, for its severity, without any precedent that we can discover," wrote U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen J. Field.

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St. Joseph Catholic Church in Louisiana was the scene of a major freedom of speech case.

BGHS Cross Country Teams Compete In COMO Kick Off 3K Chance Wins First Place

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

Bowling Green Cross Country athletes got off to an early start this past weekend at the COMO Kick Off 3K. The Aug. 26 event at Gans Creek saw a Bobcat senior take the top spot in the boys race and a promising start for the Lady Bobcats in the girls' competition.

Bowling Green senior, Ben Chance, claimed the top spot for the event by taking first out of 112 runners in the boys event.

Chance finished with a time of 9:14.17 with Blue Spring's Keagan Enicks hot on his heels with a time of 9:15.60.

Junior Eliza Hennigfield finished in seventh with an impressive time of 9:54.98. He was followed by Brendan Finnegan who claimed eighteenth with a time of 10:27.76.

Sophomore, Daniel Matlock, and freshman, Bennett Hickerson, finished in the top 50 runners with times of 11:11.63 and 11:21.79.

Keagan Smith (11:32.18), Dallas Bair (11:35.81), and Hunter Edelen (12:05.55), and Logan Gibson (14:24.47) all helped the Bobcats earn a fifth place standing amongst the nine scoring teams.

The six Lady Bobcat runners got in on the action showing determination and spirit.

Junior, Natalie Hickerson, and freshman, Caitlin Grote, made impressive finishes in the top 50, clocking in at 36th with a time of 13:57.14 and 37th at 13:59.00 respectively.

Lilley Addison, a sophomore, wasn't far behind, taking the 55th spot with a time of 14:22.80. Freshman Harley Haywood and sophomore Autumn Wells displayed strong resolve, finishing within a second of each other at 15:11.45 and 15:12.10. Alexea Maynard, another sophomore, showed grit and determination by completing the course with a time of 19:16.66.

The Bobcats next meet is this Friday, Sept. 1, when then travel to the Mexico Cross Country Invitational.

Due To Labor Day Deadline For The Sept. 5 Issue Of The People's Tribune Will Be Thursday, Aug. 31 At Noon

COMMUNITY NEWS

38th Annual BGHS Alumni Banquet Trivia Questions

**The alumni banquet is Saturday, Sept. 9
Doors open at 6 p.m. • Banquet Begins at 6:30 p.m.
Guest Speaker - Dalton Schumacher
Entertainment is Gary Orf**

1. This B.G. School District's athletic director and head track and field/cross country coach _____ has been recognized as 2023 Missouri boy's track and field coach of the year.
2. T/F - Was 2023 the first state track team championship in BGHS history?
3. Name the four state individual champions at the state track meet.
4. How many years has the Bowling Green football team played in the Final 4 (semi-final) game? _____
5. The first BGHS musical _____ was performed in _____ under the direction of _____
6. This 1987 graduate served as a BGHS educator, administrator and is now a commissioner of Pike County. _____
7. In 1983 the middle school gymnasium of today was dedicated and named in this former coaches honor _____ and his favorite saying was? _____
8. This 1947 graduate served as grand marshal of the 2023 Memorial Day parade.
9. This 2003 and fourth generation BGHS graduate is the senior communications manager for the Regional Arts Commission in St. Louis.
10. In 1986, a dedication was held to name the Bowling Green High School for this former superintendent. _____
11. This 1997 pom pom squad member is now serving as executive director of the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce.
12. This 2003 graduate founded his own cattle company in 1996, raising registered Angus cattle. _____
13. This 1973 graduate attended the U.S. Air Force Academy.
14. T/F BGHS 2022 footb all team scored the highest point numbers in the nation.
15. Both winning baskets of the semi-final and championship game were shot by this 1963 graduate. _____

Clarksville VFW, Auxiliary To Meet Tuesday, Sept. 5

The Clarksville Memorial VFW Post 4610 and Auxiliary will hold their regular meetings on Tuesday, Sept. 5, as Monday is Labor Day.

Commander Herbert Everett and Sr. Vice-President Helen Riffle would like to have all officers and members to attend the meeting they have quite a few upcoming events to prepare for. Would like to have everyone's input.

If you haven't paid your dues, you can send them to Post Quartermaster - Robert LaForte - 615 S. Church St. Apt. 317, St. Peters, MO 63376 - \$35, Auxiliary Joanne Hammuck - 109 N. Main St. Paynesville, MO 63336 - \$14. To the ones that have paid your dues, it is appreciated. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.



Jennifer Klug

Klug Joins NECAC

Jennifer Klug of Vandalia has joined the North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) as an energy assistance counselor. Klug is a 2003 graduate of Van-Far R-I High School. She has worked in quality assistance and data entry for the outdoor, customer service and accounting fields. Klug will process applications to determine utility assistance eligibility and work with utility companies and clients.



Johnathon Whittaker

Whittaker Hired At NECAC

Johnathon Whittaker of Hannibal has joined the North East Community Action Corporation (NECAC) as a weatherization technician. Whittaker is a 2003 graduate of Hannibal High School and studied at Hannibal LaGrange University. He has years of construction experience. Weatherization services available to income-qualifying households include home energy audits, air leak sealing, insulation of walls, attics and floors, replacement of furnaces and checks of heating systems to make sure they are working properly

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Agape House Makes Plans For Fall, Winter

In the Tuesday, Aug. 15 meeting board members of Agape House of Vandalia reviewed floor plans submitted by board member, Eldora Lowry and friend, Laura Cash; the women plan to rearrange furniture and decorative elements to make the guesthouse more user-friendly and attractive. Additionally, plans were made for winter snow removal.

House manager, Karen Craig, reported having guests from across the state and Nebraska during July. She further reported needs for minor repairs in the kitchen and laundry area.

Board members were saddened to learn of the death of Sheila Pennington of Ewing, wife of long-time board member, Phil Pennington.

Board president, Rich Duffner, will represent the facility in a United Way of Audrain County feature of

various recipient agencies this fall.

Board members in attendance were Duffner, Janet Heim, Eldora Lowry, Floy Oliver, Kay Robnett and Terry Rudolph.

Monetary gifts received in July include the following: United Way of Audrain County; Edgewood Baptist Church of Bowling Green; Ramsey Creek Baptist Church of Clarksville; Bethlehem Baptist Church of Centralia; Curryville Baptist Church; Farber Baptist Church; Laddonia Christian Church and Laddonia Presbyterian Church; Hopewell Baptist Church and John Yost of Thompson; and Spencer Creek Baptist Church, Southside Baptist Church, First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, and First Christian Church, all of Vandalia.

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*Oasis Tutoring is a program within Oasis Institute, a national non-profit education organization dedicated to providing adults aged 50 and older with innovative programs to pursue vibrant, healthy, productive, and meaningful lives. The Oasis Institute receives funding from an AmeriCorps Seniors FSVP grant to help bring Oasis Tutoring to Audrain & Callaway Counties.

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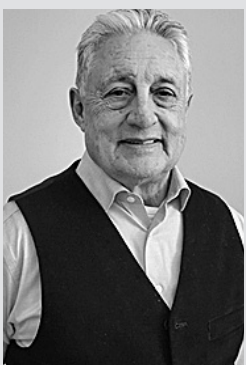
From The Mayor's Desk...

"The Heat is On" but I don't mean the St. Louis Cardinals. Thanks to all farmers, ranchers, mail carriers, police and firepersons, plus all who must work outside in the elements. It will cool off eventually.

The traditional Mayors' Cup was played this past Friday evening between the Bowling Green Bobcats and the Louisiana Bulldogs. Bowling Green won both the Mayor's Cup and the County Commissioner's Bell. The Bobcats are making us proud as girls volleyball and softball began their seasons as well. Thanks for all your hard work athletes, coaches, parents and fans that support them!

Housing growth is happening all around town, and it is so exciting! There are always growing pains such as interest rates, supply lines, prices of supplies, water and sewer lines to run but the need is there. The excellent concept behind it is our local contractors and builders are the people doing the building. There are little to no outside companies coming in to do the work. We receive calls from people and businesses that would like to move to our great city! Unfortunately, we don't have the buildings for what they are looking. Business buildings and warehouses are the next greatest need now.

As August is coming to a close, school is starting and there are many activities to attend and support. Music in the Park will have its last musical night of the summer in September but Heritage Day is Saturday,



JIM ARICO, MAYOR
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN

Sept. 9. Sarah Gigous and the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce will be having a parade, Kid's Corner, food, craft, and specially vendors, and the Bowling Green Lion's Club will sponsor a car, truck, and tractor show. Fall Festival is on Sept. 30 at Prairie's Edge and it is always a wonderful day for kids and adults. Sept. 4 is Labor Day and city hall and other government offices will be closed. It is also a time to celebrate the great achievements of America's Labor Force; past and present.

The city continues to repair, replace, and build new throughout the town. Replacing water and sewer lines off Locust and some adjoining streets will also see new pavement on our much-needed streets on the West side of town. Several other streets are being considered also. New housing off Champ Clark will see changes as the housing progresses.

As budget time approaches for Bowling Green, your council and alderpersons are putting a lot of meetings and work to make Bowling Green a better, safer, and updated city. Our treasurer Kim and administrator Linda have been focusing on the budget to present to the alderpersons for their guidance and decision making. The public is invited to our council and alderpersons meetings in September on the 11th and 25th. The meetings start at 5:30 p.m.. Come to the Park Board meeting on Sept. 27 to hear what plans have been made for our parks and their activities.

Everyone Is Welcome In MO State Parks

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Division of State Parks recently received new chairs for visitors with mobility challenges. Using the chairs, visitors can now navigate both land and water.

Produced by the Action Trackchair company, track chairs are electric all-terrain wheelchairs that offer guests with mobility challenges the opportunity to partake in outdoor activities. With a track chair, they can explore trails and visit parts of Missouri state parks or historic sites that are not suitable for regular wheelchairs. These sturdier, more rugged chairs use tank-like tracks instead of wheels to allow guests to traverse some of the rougher, uneven trails found in Missouri state parks. All-terrain track chairs can navigate through snow, water, mud, sand and other rough conditions.

"Everyone should have the opportunity to explore

and enjoy our parks and historic sites," said David Kelly, director of Missouri State Parks. "Wheelchairs provide important mobility for their users, but they aren't always able to navigate our trails. Our all-terrain track chairs can."

Missouri State Parks currently has three track chairs: one at Bryant Creek State Park in Ava, one at Battle of Lexington State Historic Site in Lexington, and one at Ele-

phant Rocks State Park in Belleview. Bennett Spring State Park, outside of Lebanon, has applied for a grant to purchase another chair.

Using the track chair is free. Reservations must be made at least two days in advance. Also, a friend or family member 18 years or older must go along to help, because park representatives are not always available or able to help users transfer to or from the chair.

"Missouri state parks are open for everyone to enjoy, regardless of ability," Kelly said. "We want all of our visitors to be able to discover the beauty of our parks and historic sites. This adaptive equipment will open up the trails that were once inaccessible to people with mobility issues."

Chris Fritsche, superintendent of Battle of Lexington State Historic Site, recently had his first guest use the site's track chair. Fritsche said the guest was excited to be able to use the chair, and Fritsche was happy to be a part of the experience.

"This was the first time the visitor has ever been in nature on his own. It was also the first time he and his wife were able to hold hands while walking a trail or going from place to place, because he has always used a manual wheelchair or crutches," Fritsche said. "The light in his eyes, when he first saw the track chair was

enough to warm your heart, but the exuberance he had when he came back after using it was even more profound. Talk about making memories!"

Smiling young man in adaptive beach chair enjoys being pushed through the water by a woman. In addition to track chairs, St. Joe, Echo Bluff and Sam A. Baker state parks have adaptive beach chairs for use in the water. Beach chairs allow wheelchair users, people with special needs or those who just need some assistance, the chance to play and splash in the water. The floating beach chair provides a comfortable ride, along with easy mobility through sand and other rough surfaces. The armrests and wheels enable balance while in the water, and the handles provide stability while enjoying the ride on land or in the water.

"Being able to get on the beach and into the water lets beach chair users experience the sun and sand with their family and friends instead of being limited to paved trails and parking lots," Kelly said.

To find out how to reserve a track chair, visit mostateparks.com/action-trackchair.

For more information on state parks and historic sites, visit mostateparks.com. Missouri State Parks is a division of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to:

peopletribune@sbcglobal.net

On Sept. 5: The MU Extension - Salt River Master Gardener Club will meet at 7 p.m. It will be held at HLGU Burt Administration Building, Room 129 in Hannibal. Justin Keay, field specialist in horticulture, will give a presentation about topics from the MU Extension Garden Hour. The public is invited to attend. For more info contact the MU Extension - Marion County Office at (573) 769-2177.

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MDC Virtual Program Will Focus On Native Plants That Provide Habitat

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People can learn more about plantings that can be made in autumn to establish good habitat in their yards at the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) free virtual program "Native Plants: Planting in the Fall." This program, which will be Sept. 8 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. is being put on by the staff of MDC's Springfield Conservation Nature Center. At this program, MDC Naturalist

Jordanya Raos will provide information about native plants and have recommendations for yard and garden designs that will work around the home. This program is open to all ages. People can register for this program at: <https://mdc-event-web.s3.amazonaws.com/Event/EventDetails/194470>

Though this program is free, registration is required to participate. Use the link above. Registrants must provide an e-mail, so a program link can be sent to them. This program will include a chat-based question-and-answer period where participants can interact with the presenters. This program will also be an opportunity to get information about the native plant sale at the Spring-

field Conservation Nature Center from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 23.

MDC's Springfield Conservation Nature Center is located at 4601 S. Nature Center Way. People wanting more information about this program or other upcoming events at the nature center can call 417-888-4237. People can also call this number to get signed up for text alerts and e-mail bulletins about upcoming programs at the Springfield Conservation Nature Center and other nearby MDC facilities.

Staff at MDC facilities across the state are holding in-person and virtual programs. A listing of these programs can be found at mdc.mo.gov/events.

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Priscilla Porter Giltner

Priscilla Porter Giltner, 87, died peacefully while surrounded by her family at Maple Grove Lodge nursing home in Louisiana on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2023.

Visitation was from 4-7 p.m., at the First Baptist Church in Louisiana Wednesday.

Funeral Service was at 10 a.m., Thursday at the church. The Rev. Don Kelley officiated. A private family graveside service was at Riverview Cemetery in Louisiana.

She was born June 15, 1936, in Paducah, Ky., the daughter of Claude L. and Maria P. Brinkley. She graduated from Highman County High School in Clinton, Ky., and Murray State University in Murray, Ky. On June 6, 1958, she married Donald E. Giltner in Murray, Ky., and the couple moved to Louisiana to begin their careers in education. She taught English, speech and drama at Louisiana High School for 24 years and also served as the director of the senior play.

Upon her and her husband's retirement in 1987, the couple traveled extensively around the country. In 2001, they traveled to England and France.

She loved playing on the computer and became a mainstay on Facebook where she delighted followers with stories of her life. She also was given the award of Kentucky Colonel, the highest award a native of Kentucky can be bestowed.

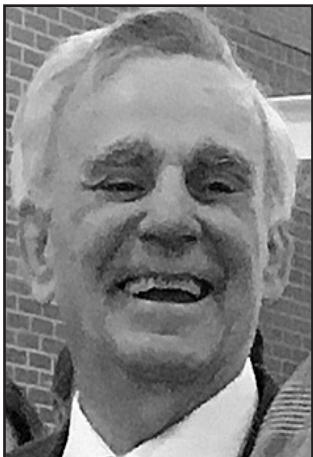
She is survived by her husband, Donald E. Giltner; children, Julie Constable and husband, Hiram, Donald E. Giltner II, and Susan Gower and husband, Ed; grandchildren, Brooke Snyder and husband, Dave, Erin Deters, Melissa Constable, Tracy Fishel and husband, Bob, Bryan Gower and wife, Simlin, Brad Gower and wife, Courtney, Craig Smith and wife, Maggie, Cole Smith, and Caitlin Smith; and great-grandchildren, Teven Blackwell, Austin Schoene, Alex Gower, Adalyn Gower, Aidan Gower, Tyler Clarkson, Ashlea Weidman and husband, Daxton, Austin Lindsay, and Zayden Simpson; a sister-in-law, Diane Hudson; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a daughter, Kate Cantrell.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Jan Onik, John Murry, Will Martin, Darin Williams, John Wood, Kevin McMahill, Gary Tolbert, Karl Dewey Jr, Karl Dewey III, Tony Gschwender, Jim York, Jack Huckstep, and all the former teachers and students. Pallbearers will be Bryan Gower, Brad Gower, Craig Smith, Cole Smith, Bob Allen, and Tom Fowler.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Louisiana Alumni Association.

Collier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Durward Eugene Edwards

Durward Eugene Edwards, known as Eugene (to family) or Deke (to friends), died Thursday, Aug. 17, 2023, at the age of 84 in St. Louis.

A visitation to honor Deke's memory was held Saturday from 9-10 a.m., followed by a service from 10-11 a.m., at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

He was born Feb. 5, 1939, in Bellflower to Durward Ezekiel Edwards and Ruth Darlene Copenhaver Edwards.

Deke was wounded in a hunting accident at the age of 11.

Following his recovery, he began as a student at the Missouri School for the Blind (MSB) where he was blessed to have been surrounded by numerous remarkable teachers who helped him grow to be the person he became.

He was introduced to wrestling at MSB and it replaced baseball as his sports passion. In high school he achieved a record of 75-2 with 58 of his wins by pin and became a Missouri state wrestling champion twice. He continued his wrestling career at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale (SIU).

At SIU, he was surrounded by coaches and teammates who helped him to continue to excel. From 1957-61 at SIU, Deke had a record of 45-6, despite injuries, was a three-time conference champion and was team captain his senior year.

Deke received many awards for his achievements in wrestling during his life:

1980 - elected to Missouri Wrestling Hall of Fame
1982 - inducted as the 6th wrestler in the Missouri Hall of Fame

1994 - elected to Greater St. Louis Area Athletic Association Hall of Fame

2005 - lifetime achievement award from the National Wrestling Hall of Fame

2019 - Southern Illinois University - Carbondale Saluki Hall of Fame

2022 - The St. Louis Sports Hall of Fame

He was humbled and embarrassed by the accolades that he received. In his opinion, he was not responsible. Deke said that he would have achieved "nothing" in his life if not for the help of his family, coaches, teachers, teammates, and most importantly, his wife.

Eugene was a brilliant, determined, and humble individual who possessed a curious and generous nature. He was a wonderful father and grandfather, a dedicated teacher, coach, and a true friend. Eugene's courage and independence were an inspiration to all who knew him.

Deke's career spanned over 30 years as a mathematics teacher at the Missouri School for the Blind. He also served as a wrestling coach for an impressive 47 years, leaving a lasting impact on countless students and athletes and was a founding member and longtime board member of the United States Association of Blind Athletes (USABA).

Eugene's educational journey began at Silex Elementary and the Missouri School for the Blind. He furthered his studies at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill., where he earned his B.A. degree. He later pursued a master's degree in Education at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Eugene is survived by his loving daughter, Teresa/Teri Edwards; a son and best friend, Sean Edwards; one daughter-in-law, Tonda; and his cherished grandson, Ian. He is also survived by his sisters, Barbara Edwards, Genola Hawkins, and Phyllis Rupp; a brother, Glenn Edwards; one sister-in-law, Ruthann; brothers-in-law, Bill Hawkins and Dennis Rupp; numerous nieces; great-nieces; and great-nephews.

Eugene was preceded in death by his beloved wife Joan Wallace Edwards in 2019, parents and his sisters, Eugenia and Drusilla.

The important aspect about Deke is that he went through something traumatic and encountered some very good people that helped him achieve

things and helped him develop into who he was. He spent the rest of his life doing the same thing for those kids like him, many kids far worse. He understood first-hand the positive impact that a teacher/coach can have and did his best to pay that forward. Wrestling and teaching were the vehicles he used to do it.

Deke's legacy will be remembered by those whose lives he touched through his dedication, kindness, and unwavering commitment to his students, athletes, and loved ones. He will be deeply missed and forever cherished in our hearts.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that contributions be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. These organizations were close to Eugene's heart, and donations made in his memory will continue to support causes he cared deeply about.



Cindy Perkins-Henry

Cynthia "Cindy" Jo Perkins-Henry, 53, of Wentzville died Friday, Aug. 25, 2023 surrounded by her family after a hard-fought battle with cancer. She is now resting in the arms of her heavenly Father completely healed.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at the First Baptist Church, 608 North Carolina, Louisiana.

Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m., with burial at Fairview Cemetery.

Cindy was born Jan. 14, 1970 in Hannibal to Bill and Hazel Branstetter Perkins.

Cindy was a 1988 graduate of Louisiana High School. She received her bachelor's degree from Hannibal LaGrange University and her masters from Maryville University. After graduation, she worked at HealthLink and then Coda Consulting before joining Monsanto, now Bayer, for 25 years.

Cindy and husband, Ronnie Henry were together for 25 years. He survives.

She is also survived by her children: Jennifer Millard and husband, Andrew of Jefferson City, and Ross Henry of St. Louis; grandchildren, Mayson Chasteen and Harper Millard; parents, Bill Perkins and wife, Jill and Hazel Perkins and Art Bradley of Louisiana; three siblings, Brad Perkins and wife, Amanda of Bowling Green, Jackson Jones and wife Becky of Louisiana, and Kerri Crouch and husband, Jason of Hudson, Ohio; and all her beloved nieces and nephews, Madison Perkins, Nathan Perkins, Tyler Perkins, Aidon Bolton, Maddy Bolton, Alex Jones, Evan Jones of Louisiana, Logan Crouch and Averie Crouch of Hudson, Ohio and Todd Clark and wife, Courtney of St. Louis; great nephews, Logan Clark and Wyatt Clark of St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Brian Joseph Perkins; paternal and maternal grandparents; four uncles, Floyd "Brandy" Branstetter,

Eddie Perkins, Chick Branstetter, and Gary R. Ray; and one aunt, Margaret Ann Ray.

Cindy enjoyed spending time with family and friends. She especially loved spoiling her nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. She was loved by her co-workers and well respected for all her hard work and dedication. Cindy was a loving, kindhearted, and caring person who would do anything for anyone. She accepted Christ as her Savior as a young girl.

Pallbearers will be Nathan Perkins, Aidon Bolton, Todd Clark, Alex Jones, Evan Jones, and Mayson Chasteen. Honorary pallbearer will be Tyler Perkins.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be given to OneChild, c/o Collier Funeral Home. Cindy sponsored two children through OneChild and donations will help them and other children needing assistance.



Bicentennial Steering Committee

On Thursday, Aug. 24, a presentation was made for the Pike County Courthouse. Left to right, western district commissioner Brock Bailey, and presiding commissioner Bill Allen accepted a portrait from Bowling Green Bicentennial steering committee members, Jim Arico and Don Hamilton. This was print number 15 of the John Steockley pen and ink portrait of the Bowling Green founder of John W. Basye. Basye was also one of the three founders of Louisiana. Absent from the picture due to a funeral, was eastern commissioner Tom Wallace. Donations may be sent or dropped off at NECAC Pike County Service Center, 805 Bus. Hwy. 61 in Bowling Green, between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday. Questions may be directed to Dixon at 573-324-2207.

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Some of the pastors from the Interchurch Council will give a short message from the scripture of their choice. Their will be special music given at the service.

They are looking forward to having a great spiritual and fellowship time. Would love have everyone come to this service.

Money raised is used to help people in need in the Southern Pike area along with food vouchers, fruit baskets for Christmas, they have adopted the elementary teachers the past two years, given clothing to the school nurse along with the school lunch program, Lucky Tray.

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ASHLEY

The Confederates focused their attention on Elmore's storeroom. It received the most damage, with 28 bullets penetrating the wooden part of the structure. The other buildings had slight damage.

After 40 minutes of skirmishing, the rebels sent a proposal to Purse under a flag of truce.

"We demand an unconditional surrender as far as arms are concerned," read the message, signed by Porter and Burbridge. It also said the Union men would be pardoned.

There is disagreement over who carried the message. One story says it was Elmore, and claims the Confederates shot the storekeeper in the right shoulder as he stood by the door of his building awaiting a Union response.

Another story says it was Moses Beck, a 31-year-old Kentucky native and son of a Baptist minister who had grown up near Ashley and farmed in Montgomery

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County. The account says Union men shot Beck as he returned to the Confederate lines.

In his 1909 book "With Porter in North Missouri" author Joseph A. Mudd says Beck was not the messenger. According to his account, Louisiana rebel Samuel Minor was standing by Beck when the farmer was gunned down. In any event, Purse wasn't about to surrender.

"Can't comply with your request," the Union commander wrote back. "Your men should have respected your own messenger."

The two sides exchanged fire for about 15 more minutes before the Confederates inexplicably retreated. Union backers used what should have been an easy rebel win to light the fires of passion for their cause.

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FIRMLY

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Loyalty pledges had been around since the founding of the country. The U.S. Constitution itself requires the president and other officials to take an oath, and most consistently have been legally upheld. Missouri, too, had a precedent on the books.

The more restrictive 1865 oath was different because it clearly was a vindictive measure aimed at Missourians who, guilty or not, may have sided with the South during the war.

Adopted after three months of debate, it was part of a new state constitution that did feature otherwise progressive mandates. Voters narrowly approved the measure in June 1865. Fittingly, it was soundly defeated in Pike County 1,113 to 639.

The requirement took effect on Sept. 2, 1865. The next day, Cummings said Mass at St. Joseph. His words have been lost, but they were enough to get him thrown into the legal frying pan.

Little is known about the cleric. The location and date of his birth and a description of his appearance remain a mystery. Cummings studied for the priesthood at St. Vincent's Seminary in Cape Girardeau and was ordained in 1863. Before coming to Louisiana, he had served a parish at Millwood in rural Lincoln County.

It took authorities less than 24 hours to arrest and indict the Southern-sympathizing priest, who was thrown into the Pike County Jail. At the time, the

two-story structure was on the south side of the Bowling Green square on the site of today's Cancer Memorial Park. "What are you put in here for?" one of the other prisoners reportedly asked.

"For preaching the Gospel," Cummings replied.

"Good," said the other man. "I am in here for stealing horses."

Cummings spent the night in a cell with another accused horse thief, two burglary suspects and a man charged with rape.

The following day, he was brought before Louisiana resident and Pike County Judge Thomas James Clark Fagg, who within a year would become a Missouri Supreme Court justice. The judge and the 12-member jury had taken the oath.

Cummings refused legal counsel and would not accept bail. Indignant about the law to the point of reciting the Apostles' Creed when asked to speak, he was found guilty and fined the prescribed \$500 - the equivalent today of about \$7,700.

If nothing else, Cummings had prompted a new rebellion. One inspired clergyman was North Carolina native Barry Hill Spencer, a Methodist minister in Montgomery County.

"I believed it to be wicked thus to surrender the claims of Christ to the demands of Caesar, and resolved, at the hazard of fines and imprisonments, yea, even of life itself, that I would refuse compliance with this unrighteous requirement," Spencer defiantly said.

Next time: Faith and hellfire

VAN-FAR

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include Kayleonia Preston (renewable four-year scholarship; Taylor Hays; Mersade Ehler; Madalynn Caldwell; Audrey Williams (Natalie Gibson Scholarship); Abigail Carlyle (Zandra Dowell Scholarship); Mara Jensen (Alan Adam Memorial Scholarship); Aiden Brown (Elaine Brookshier Scholarship); Ennis Childs (college recipient); and Harley Brewster (college recipient).

In its 13-year history the as-

sociation has provided scholarships to 95 students valued at \$109,300.00.

Those wishing to attend the reunion should make meal reservations and payment by Sept. 8. All former students and friends of the school are invited to attend.

A gift has been received in memory of Carol Bishop Smith (class of 1964) by Jane Ahlstrom.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Meyer Elected As Angus Delegate To 140th Meeting

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American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph is one of 294 Angus breeders who have been elected by fellow members in their state to serve as a representative at the annual meeting.

Representing the United States and Canada, the delegates will participate in the

business meeting and elect new officers and five directors to the American Angus Association board.

Held in conjunction with the 140th Annual Convention of Delegates, the Angus Convention is set to take place Nov. 4-6, in Orlando, Fla. The Angus Convention offers unrivaled opportunities for real-

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The American Angus Association is the nation's largest beef breed organization, serving more than 22,000 members across the United States, Canada and several other countries. For more information about Angus cattle, visit www.ANGUS.org.

Van-Far Alumni Plan Reunion

Van-far Alumni and Friends board members met Aug. 24 at the elementary school. They completed plans for the All-school reunion to be held Sunday, Sept. 24.

The event, to be held at the elementary building, will include a noon lunch prepared by school personnel and featuring chicken cordon bleu and pork chops.

Guest speaker will be Jeff Moore, (class of 1993) a graduate of the University of Missouri

and Columbia College. He works in agriculture media sales and lives in Jefferson City with wife, Sally, and children, Grayson and Maren.

Entertainment will be provided by vocalist, Natalie Nolan Gibson, (class of 1999) new high school principal. She will be assisted by her daughter, Zoe.

Scholarship recipients of 2023 have been invited to this event to report on their future plans. They See VAN-FAR page 5

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Labor Day is observed annually on the first territories in honor of hardworking people. working men and women in this area...and

On this holiday people strive to have one last warm-weather hurrah before the lazy days of summer turn into the crisp days of autumn. No matter what the type of Labor Day activity, it is important to keep safety in mind.

- Plan enough time for your vacation or trip and don't speed. Labor Day is a busy time for traveling and you'll be competing for road space with other drivers, some of whom can be aggressive behind the wheel.

- Don't drink and drive. If you're hosting a party for others, make sure no one who will be driving leaves intoxicated.

- If your fun will be taking place on a water vessel, make sure everyone is wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket.

- Don't drink and operate a boat.

- Practice fireworks safety. If fireworks are not legal in your area, refrain from purchasing and firing them off. If they are, don't let children participate in the ignition of fireworks. Maintain a safe distance from lit fireworks, and never try to re-light a "dud" firework.

- Keep a sharp eye on children, especially where there are pools or swimming will occur. It takes only a few inches of water for a child to drown. Labor Day activities can be exciting and confusing, so make sure you keep tabs on the children. Latch any safety gates surrounding pools and only swim at beaches with a lifeguard present.

- Don't forget to protect your skin and eyes from the sun's rays. Slather on sun block with SPF 20 or more several times during the day.

- Labor Day events often involve picnics or meals outdoors. Remember to safely store refrigerated foods so that they won't spoil. Cook meats and poultry to recommended temperatures to avoid food poisoning. If food has been left outside for several hours, don't try to save the leftovers -- bacteria may be present.

- When driving, keep an eye open for bicyclists, in-line skaters, motorcyclists and other people sharing the road.

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Clopton Alumni Association Scholarship Donations

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Donations and honor gifts from May 1-Aug. 31, 2023.

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In memory of Kevin Troutner and members of the Class of 1978 given by Kelly Troutner Holtsman

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In memory of Noah and Virginia Tolbert given by Gary and Carol Tolbert

In memory of Dr. John Gray given by John and Cheryl Andrews

In memory of Sue Sitton Smith given by Mary Sitton Carpenter

To Be Continued Next Week

Haley Baskett Selected Outstanding Student



Haley Baskett

Haley Baskett of Vandalia has been selected as North Central Missouri College's Outstanding Student for Au-

gust.

Haley, a Missouri A+ scholarship student, will graduate with her associate degree in May. At NCMC, she is studying Business with an emphasis in sports management. After graduating from NCMC, Haley plans to transfer to a four-year institution to continue to play collegiate golf.

At NCMC, Haley lives on campus and plays golf for the Pirates golf team. Haley's favorite class was Accounting with Ronda Copple. Haley said, "I enjoy math, and Mrs. Copple made the class a good environment. She lectures and listens really well."

Haley went on to say, "The things I enjoy most about

NCMC are the people, the atmosphere, and making new friends." She said, "Just be yourself, reach out, and try to make as many friends as you can."

She is the daughter of Jared and Melissa Baskett of Vandalia.

Each month, a student is nominated by a faculty or staff member to be featured as an Outstanding Student based on their dedication to educational success, attitude toward learning, and hard work in their field and activities.

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Where did Labor Day come from?

On September 5, 1882, some 10,000 workers assembled in New York City to participate in America's first Labor Day parade. After marching from City Hall to Union Square, the workers and their families gathered in Reservoir Park for a picnic, concert, and speeches. This first Labor Day celebration was initiated by Peter J. McGuire, a carpenter and labor union leader who a year earlier co-founded the Federation of Organized Trades and Labor Unions, a precursor of the American Federation of Labor.

McGuire had proposed his idea for a holiday honoring American workers at a labor meeting in early 1882. New York's Central Labor Union quickly approved his proposal and began planning events for the second Tuesday in September. McGuire had suggested a September date in order to provide a break during the long stretch between Independence Day and Thanksgiving. While the first Labor Day was held on a Tuesday, the holiday was soon moved to the first Monday in September, the date we continue to honor.

New York's Labor Day celebrations inspired similar events across the country. Oregon became the first state to grant legal status to the holiday in 1887; other states soon followed. In 1894, Congress passed legislation making Labor Day a national holiday.

For many decades, Labor Day was used by workers not only to celebrate their accomplishments, but also to air their grievances and discuss strategies for securing better working conditions and salaries. Nowadays, Labor Day is associated less with union activities and protest marches and more with leisure. For many, the holiday is a time for family picnics, sporting events, and summer's last hurrah.



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